IS LIKE GUESSWORK

ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FORE-CAST FINAL FORM OF IMPOR-TANT LEGISLATION.

PROPHETS ARE ALL AT SEA called human interest recitals

Party Leaders Guessing-New Congressional Directory is Instructive Human Document-Plans Made for Great Memorial Bridge.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.-Legislation has been and continues to be a lolterer this light to the eye. winter. The administration, the house and the senate, to say nothing of persons outside of both, have been engaged in one gigantic guessing contest concerning the final form to be

arduous and a precarious one this sible to judge of a man's temperayear. Comparatively few of the fore- ment, and of a good many other things casters are justified in claiming that they are prophets with honor in their biography which he has prepared for own country. The reason for the ut the benefit of his fellow members and ter inability of the administration or for such others of the 100,000,000 of the leaders in either house of con- American citizens who can lay hands gress to foretell results, with anything and eyes on the volume. like certainty that their words will be faifilled, is that the members of modest. Take Senator Harry Lane of house and senate irrespective of party | Oregon for instance. Asked for his lines have been divided among them- biography in order that the world seives upon nearly all the greater might have something concerning him questions of the winter. It has been in print in an official record he wrote impossible for the leaders of either this: party in either house to learn definitely just what following he could count upon in advocacy or in opposition to any of the more commanding measwes of legislation.

The Preparedness Bills.

Take the preparedness bills for instance. During the preliminaries of omit all mention of the date of birth the framing of preparedness bills in because they do not want people to bouse and senate the two committees know that they are getting old, but of the two bodies charged with the here and there through the directory work of preparing legislation were shown to be completely at odds with each other on the matter of the proper handling of the subject in hand. The chairman of the senate committee on tor from South Dakota, who is willing military affairs wanted a continental army such as had been suggested by the administration. The leader of the house committee on military affairs was utterly opposed to the plan for a continental army and was in favor of a great strengthening of the militia and a comparatively small increase in the regular army.

It was impossible for anybody to tell which of the two men in charge of things would give way. Today both the house and senate have reported military preparedness bills and while it was thoroughly believed at the outset that they would be radically different in all their provisions there are some few signs of a coalescing of views, but the two meas ures still are almost diametrically opposed one to the other.

There will be a compromise of some military preparedness bill and it is lines of legislative endeavor. ets to foretell accurately the outcome written them. on these big defense measures.

In the matter of the resolution warning Americans not to travel on armed plan for a memorial bridge to span the liners belonging to belligerent coun. Potomac from a point near the Lintries, the membership in house and coln monument which is now building. senate has been divided not into par to a point on the Virginia shore just ties but into groups irrespective of below the Arlington National cemeparty. The divisions in the two tery. Plans and specifications for the houses abow no trace of Republican- great structure already have been prefam or Democracy, but are both pared and it is believed that soon the marked deeply with the signs of both birst appropriation will be made to parties. Old members say that never start the work of construction. in their memory has there been such a mixing up of party friends and for the bridge should be put into the Iges on both sides of a question as urgent deficiency bill which has just there has been on this matter which passed congress, but the members of has created such a sensation in the house and senate seemed to be

Prophecies Shattered.

There were supposedly wise men in ture the senate who predicted within an hour or two of the vote on the Gore to their votes. The whole proceeding North and the South countries, was enough to distract the minds of The bridge, when completed, if the and from the final vote.

This was a resolution also intended to warn Americans from taking passage on belligerent passenense. In the house, from hearing the first speeches, a stranger could not tell which was the Republican side of has been true of the matters here discussed is true of half a dozen other bills and measures. This year the lenders of neither party know in advance whether they will be able to purposes. lend their flocks into the fold or whether they will break away and make off across the fields.

His Quick Finish. Marks-My old old aunt had not been dead twenty-four hours when her poor parrot died, too. Parks-The poor bird died of grief. I suppose? Marks-No; poison!-New York

American. Last Plank Weak. Our Platform-One home and one country, one purse and one wife: one faith and one husband and one hat all

Wealth Well Distributed. Colorado, Missouri, Oklahoma and

New Minister-This is not such a wideawake congregation as I was told to expect.

and Kansas smiles.

been preaching to them.

New Congressional Directory. Succeeding editions of the congres onal directory always are awaited with interest in the city of Washngton, and presumably so in the rest of the country where the worth of the directory as a human document is understood. It is good reading for it not only is instructive, but frequently amusing. Between its covers one finds a combination of what might be

Now the last edition of the congresional directory containing the biographles of the members, their comnittee assignments, their time service records, together with information about the president of the United States and the various departments of government, with its delicate blue cover and enameled white imprint is, if one may indulge in a bromide, a de-

Some Are Really Modest. Biographies of members of congress which appear in the congressional directory are prepared by themselves. or at least this is true in most intaken on by legislation of importance. stances. Therefore the biographics The prophet's business has been an really are autobiographies. It is posconcerning him by a perusal of the

Some members of congress are over-

"Harry Lane, Democrat. Term expires March 3, 1919." This is all that one learns of the

funior senstor of Oregon from the congressional directory. Some of the members of congress apparently do not care to tell their ages. Many of them it is supposed you not only find aged ones putting down in a fair, plain hand the fact that they were born long ago, but you

to tell the world that he was born "a long time ago." Representative W. W. Griest of the Ninth Pennsylvania district runs Senator Lane of Oregon, a close race for biographical brevity. Here is what appears in the Congressional Directory concerning the life and services of the

occasionally find such a plain writing

one as Edwin S. Johnson, junior sena-

"W. W. Griest, Republican; elected to the Sixty-first and subsequent con-

Pennsylvanian:

gresses. Members of congress who write their biographies at considerable length for the directory differ materially in the choice of subject matter. Some of them leave the reader in doubt as to whether they are bachelors or married men, whether they have children or are childless, and whether or not they have any yearnings, aspirations, recreations, or aims in life outside of those kind between house and senate on the which are encompassed within the

perfectly apparent that there must be Some of the members of congress mpromises between the two houses probably would take offense if one on other bills such as those affecting should put in print even without comthe navy and on some other matters ment, some of the things which they of high importance. In the senate have written about themselves. The there are many members who favor biographies in the congressional dithe plan of the house. So it is easy rectory are sign posts pointing directmough to see how utterly impossible ly to the characters or at any rate the it has been and still is for the proph- temperaments of the men who have

> New Bridge to Be Memorial. Congress has committed itself to a

> It is proposed that an appropriation against the proposition, and it probably will find a place in some other appropriation bill in the near fu-

There is a good deal of sentiment connected with this plan for a bridge slution, now a matter of compara of commanding size and beauty across lively recent history, that the affair the Potomac at this point. To put it was sure to be settled one way be into a few words the sentiment back nause it could not be settled any oth- of the thought is that the bridge would er way. The prophets saw their be an exemplification of the reunion prophedies shattered within fifteen of sympathies between the North minutes of their utterance. Some sen and the South, for in a marked way sters voted one way or another, and the Potomac river is regarded as bethen made speeches exactly counter ing the dividing line between the

men who tried to get any logical de plans are carried out in accordance ductions from the course of affairs with those already made, will be one of the most beautiful structures in The same condition of things was, the world. Washington already has true in the house when the McLemore one of the finest bridges, so far as resolution finally came under direct beauty is concerned at any rate, that the world knows. It is known as the Connecticut Avenue bridge, and it spans the valley of Rock Creek park ger ships which had guns mounted for over one of the extremities of the government reservation which has been set aside as a pleasure ground.

Another beautiful bridge across the the chamber and which the Democrat. same valley is now in process of conic. No one could get any idea of struction. The Potomac river bridge what the outcome was to be. What will be much larger than either of those now built or in process of building, and it will cost a great deal of money, but it is needed for commercial purposes as well as sentimental

> Any actress can paint, but only a few can draw well.

Teamster in Knight's Role. The knights of old have nothing on a certain St. Paul teamster when it comes to showing devotion to wom-

Observing two women a block away making a hopeless attempt to catch a car at Dunlap and Grand streets, the chivalrous teamster steered his steeds to the middle of the car tracks and remained there in spite of the frantic signals of the motorman until the women had reached their corner. Then he turned out.

Frisco Clings to Gold. San Francisco is now the only city Nebraska, the states bordering on using much gold for hand-to-hand cir-Kansas, can each boast many more culation, sentiment and force of habit millionaires than she, with her less buttressing there a custom which evthan a dozen, but the Kansas per cap erywhere else in the United States has its wealth is higher than any of theirs. largely given way before the superior compactness, convenience and safety at carrying bills.

Capitulates to Movies. Saco, Me., recently opened its first theater, although the city was settled Sly Friend-I daresay, you have in 1623, incorporated in 1713, and obtained its city charter in 1867.

HAY ARMY BILL WINS

VOTE IN HOUSE IS 402 to 2, WITH BRITTEN OPPOSING ACT AS "RIDICULOUS."

PROVIDES FORCE OF 140,000

Measure Would Have Militia of 420,-000 Men Under Control of Federal Government-Gardner Amendment Adopted by 204 to 198.

Washington, March, 25,-The Hay army reorganization bill, the first of the administration preparedness measures, was passed by the house on Thursday by a vote of 402 to 2. As it was passed by the house the

Hay bill provides: 1-A regular army of 140,000 men. an increase of 20,000 over the present authorized strength. 2-A federalized militia of 120,000

men under the control of the federal 3-A system of reserves, recruited from retiring members of both the regular army and the militia. 4-A reserve officers' corps of 50,-

000 recruited from graduates of mili-

tary schools under federal supervi-5-Federal pay for officers and enlisted men of the National Guard. 6-Authority for the president and secretary of war to make plans for

the mobilization of the industrial resources of the country in time of war. The two men who voted against the Hay bill in its final form were Representative Britten of Illinois and Representative Meyer London, the New York Socialist.

Representative Britten declared that the Hay bill did not constitute a sufficient provision for land defense and asserted that he would not vote for a 'ridiculous" measure The Socialist member said he was opposed to any increase in the standing army. An amendment by Representative Gardner, under which enlisted men

proval of their commanding officials. was adopted, 204 to 198. The Kahn amendment proposing increase of the army to 220,000 men was rejected, 191 to 213,

might be furloughed to the reserves

at the end of two years with the ap

\$7,000,000 FIRE AT AUGUSTA

Area of One and One-Fourth Square Miles in Georgia Ravaged by

Flames-3,000 Homeless.

Augusta, Ga., March 25 .- Twenty blocks in the residence section of Augusta in charred ruins and the bare walls of six business blocks bear testidisaster of recent years Upward of 700 houses were destroyed and at 000,000, was checked after it had the combat crossed Green street.

Starting in the Dver building at building and then by leaps destroyed path from two to three blocks wide for eight blocks on Broad street down | made: to the east boundary, the city limits. The flames leaped across Broad street cut a path through to Green

railway company, the telephone com- Houttave, near Zeebrugge. pany and the electric lighting company suffered heavy losses and service was crippled.

in a job printing plant and was issued this morning. The Herald was issued from a temporary plant.

The Tubman high school building and the Horton grammar school were

DENTIST HELD FOR DEATHS

Son-in-Law of Late John F. Peck, Michigan Millionaire, Found Drugged in New York.

New York, March 25 .- Detectives ter river, north of Czernowitz. sent to arrest Dr. Arthur Warren condition of stupor as a result of an officially announced here. opiate, self-administered. Physicians worked over him to save his life. It Taggart, Democratic national commitwas given out that Doctor Waite had taken the opiate to induce sleep. announcement:

murder in the first degree."

Mexican Paper Is Seized. El Paso, Tex., March 25,-Police and cendiary editorial.

Norwegian Bark Sunk. London, March 25.-The Norwegian by a torpedo. Thirty of the crew ing Queenstown.

Cousin of Lincoln Is Dead. Fort Branch, Ind., March 23.—Elijah Lincoln, died at his home here, aged dealers in Pittsburgh and Philadeleighty-four. He often expressed re- phia will be made before the end of gret that he had never met his illus- the week, it was learned at headquartrious relative.

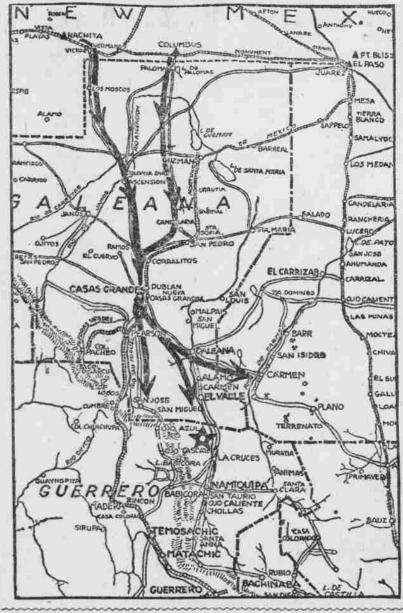
Defends the President. Canonsburg, Pa., March 23.-Resentattacked the president. Secretary Lansing Plays Golf.

Pinehurst, N. C., March 22.-Secre-

tary Lansing is spending the greater portion of his time on the links at the animal's food, Henry Klahn, sixty Pinehurst He defeated his opponent, to England, one up, on Monday. Sees Immigration Menace. Milwaukee, March 22.-Declaring that immigration has become a most

ed restriction of immigration.

WHERE TROOPS ARE CHASING VILLA



BIG BATTLE IN SKY DENIES PEACE RUMOR

MENT AS TO GERARD.

Foundation for Story-President

Resent Reports.

Washington, March 23.-President

Gerard had reported Germany was

published reports were characterized

There is no justification for that in

following statement was issued:

ment was issued:

ference being drawn."

negotiations.

of peace."

EIGHT MACHINES FALL IN COM- WHITE HOUSE ISSUES STATE- ing. BAT AT MUELHAUSEN.

Sixty-five Allied Craft Also Bombard State Department Says There is No the Belgian Coast Town of Zeebrugge.

Basel, Switzerland (via Paris), March 22.-When twenty-three allied | Wilson was represented at the White aeroplanes raided Muelhausen, Upper House as being resentful of the pub-Alsace, the greatest aerial battle of lication of stories that Ambassador the war took place. Accounts just received here declare that more than about to make a move for peace. The fifty machines were fighting at such close quarters that the German anti- as based on inferences. This stateaircraft guns had to cease firing to avoid hitting their own machines.

One French airman rammed a German machine, which fell in flames stories appearing in papers to the efmony to Augusta's most serious fire Five German aeroplanes and three French fell, the occupants of all being | Gerard's remaining in Berlin was to killed. Even while the allied airmen least 3,000 persons are homeless. The were fighting they dropped a number fire, which raged for more than nine of bombs upon military positions. hours, causing a loss estimated at \$7. Many thousands of persons witnessed

London, March 22.-Sixty-five allied that Germany had intimated to the An area of about one and one-fourth aeroplanes bombarded the Belgian United States that the time was ripe square miles was ravaged by the coast town of Zeebrugge. All returned for the United States as the largest Zeebrugge is on the Belgian coast | neutral to renew its friendly offices | Washington and Mexican Officials in twelve miles northeast of Ostend. for peace or that the United States Eighth and Broad streets, the fire Since the German occupation this port spread rapidly to "cotton row," in the has become of considerable imporrear, whipped around the Empire Life tance, particularly as a German submarine base. It is one of the princiblock after block except the 600 square pal points from which submarine opon Broad street. The flames cut a erations in the North sea are directed. The following official statement was

"In the early hours of the morning a combined force of approximately fifty to the south side of Elbert street and British. French and Belgian aero planes and seaplanes, accompanied by fifteen fighting machines, left and at-Many of the residences destroyed tacked the German seaplane station were of brick construction. The street at Zeebrugge and the aerodrome at

"Considerable damage appears hae been done. The machines on the average carried 200 pounds of bombs. The Chronicle established an office All the machines returned safely. "One Belgian officer is reported seriously wounded.

"All the British machines referred to were naval."

********* IMPORTANT NEWS ITEMS

Vienna, March 23.-Russian troops have captured Uscieczko, on the Dnies-

Saloniki, Greece, March 23.-French Waite in connection with the death of infantry, supported by artillery, has John E. Peck, a millionaire druggist of repulsed an attack of the German al-Grand Rapids, Mich., found him in a lies at Maticovo (Matchikovo) it was

Indianapolis, March 22. - Thomateeman, was appointed United States District Attorney Swann made this death of Senator Benjamin F. Shively by Governor Ralston on Monday. Mr. "I shall charge Doctor Waite with Taggart expects to leave for Washington immediately.

Nips Conspiracy in Bud. London, March 25,-Army officers in provost guards seized the forms and the province of Sin-Kiang plotted to shut down the publication of La Con- kill the governor, but the governor, them beheaded.

Russ Have Lost 2,542,639 Men. New York, March 25 .- The losses bark Lindfield was sunk on Thursday of the Russians since the beginning of States.

To Raid Tobacco Dealers. Washington, March 24.-Raids by ncoln, a second cousin of Abraham internal revenue agents on tobacco ters here.

Ferdinand Returns to Sofia. Lenden, March 24.-King Ferdinand ing an attack on President Wilson, has returned to Sofia, according to ad-Marcus Argeris shot and killed Gus- vices received from Budapest. On Esperanza off Kali Akra in he Black tave Sellis. He said he believes him his recent visit to Vienna the king self justified in killing any man who was taken ill with an attack of bronlowa Man Killed by Bull.

Clinton, Ia., March 23.-Attacked by an enraged bull as he was preparing years old, residing near Lost Nation, mangled body was found by his son.

Saved From Electric Chair. Raleigh, N. C., March 23.-Governor baud.

2,000 PERSONS HOMELESS AFTER

PROPERTY LOSS IS \$1,000,000

BIG BLAZE AT NASH-

VILLE, TENN.

Fourteen Hundred Pupils of Warner School Marched Out Before Flames Reached Building-Troops Called

Out to Guard Ruins.

Nashville, Tenn., March 24.-More than 2,000 of Nashville's best citizens are homeless and will have to sleep in the houses of their friends, tr churches, public buildings and hotels for a while. Fire swept a path from three to five blocks wide and thirty blocks long, about half the territory being the best residence section east of the Cumberland river, on Wednesday. The loss is placed at \$1,000,000. Covernor Rye called out all the militia in the city and asked for citizen volunteers to help fight the conflagra-

A seemingly inconsequential are starting in North Edgefield caused the conflagration in South Edgefield beaway. As the fire approached Warner school, which housed over 1,400 pupils, a fire drill was held and all children marched out safely. Shortly afterwards this school was a mass of

The aged inmates of the institution conducted by the Little Sisters of the Poor were conveyed to a parish church in Nashville. This home for the aged was destroyed, with a large

Thousands of people who thought their homes doomed methodically reoved their valuables. Vast quantities of furniture are now in the open streets, and are being guarded by the militia to avoid loot-

Fifteen thousand residents of South Edgefield looked for the worst, as at tion would go. By five o'clock the fire had burned itself out. Nashville's business and

after the homeless, and there will be little physical suffering and destruction, if any. Paris, Tex., March 24.-Provisions, clothing and tents are arriving on every incoming train for the 8,000 omeless persons in Paris, rendered practically destitute by Tuesday night's fire, which did property damage estimated between \$8,000,000 and

"President Wilson, through Secre \$10,000,000 and which cost at least tary Tumulty, authorized a denial of three lives. Nearly every business house and befect that the purpose of Ambassador tween 1,500 and 2,000 residences were consumed in the flames. await Germany's proposals for peace. Tulsa, Okla, March 24.-Damage es

timated at \$1,500,000 has been caused in the fire-swept district of the Cusing Tuesday the state department took ing oil field. notice of the publications by denying AGREE ON TERMS OF PACT

Accord Over the Provision of had been informed that Mr. Gerard New Protocol. had been requested to postpone his vacation because of pending peace Washington, March 24.-A draft of the protocol asked for by General Car-Unofficial reports received yesterranza to govern the operations of the day said the ambassador actually had American expedition in Mexico seekpostponed his vacation, but gave no ing Villa was agreed upon on Wednesreason. The state department again day by Acting Secretary Polk and Eli-

took cognizance of the report and the designate. It was forwarded at once "Any statement that the German to Carranza for approval and is exgovernment had intimated that it depected to be in effect within a few sired this government to act as medidays. ator in peace negotiations or had in Details of the proposed convention any way suggested formally or inforwill be withheld until it is signed. It mally that this government should is known, however, that it is designed take the matter up with other powers to minimize the possibility of misunis absolutely without foundation and derstandings between the two governthe state department has no informa- ments by setting forth the rights of tion that Germany is preparing to each in the extraordinary circummake a definite move in the direction stances existing and prescribing as far

as possible the methods of co-operation

United States and no difficulty was

thorizing President to Call Big

Force for Service in Mexico.

Washington, March 24.-Senator

olution in the senate on Wednesday.

British Capture 127 Subsea Boats.

have been captured by the British

navy since the outbreak of the Euro-

pean war, according to information

Sorious Quake in Hungary,

quake occurred in southwestern Hun-

Sight British Submarines.

of British submarines have been

U. S. Cruiser Ordered South.

Washington, March 24 .- One hun-

its immediate consideration.

from the British admiralty.

age was estimated at \$200,000.

caused a sensation in Sweden.

movement of the warship.

State department officials declared to be pursued by the Mexican and they were resentful of the publication | American troops in pursuit of the outof the reports, because, they said, if laws. there were any prospect of mediation Although the de facto government it would be damaged if not destroyed. sought the protocol, its terms are en-

experienced by Mr. Polk and Mr. Arredondo in preparing it. Senate Approves \$11,000,000 Appro

priation to Build U. S. Factory. SHERMAN ASKS VOLUNTEERS Introduces Resolution in Senate Au

Washington, March 23.-The Tillman bill to provide for the erection or purchase by the government of an armor plate factory at a cost not to exceed \$11,000,000 was passed on Tuesday by the senate by a vote of 58 to 23. Previous to passage the senate adopted without a roll call an amendment by Senator Wadsworth providsenator to fill the vacancy by the ing that any plant to be erected should be located at a place approved by general board of the navy with special reference to considerations of safety in time of war.

PASSES ARMOR PLANT BILL

German Liners Held Prizes London, March 25 .- The Hamburg American liners Prinz Adalbert and Kronprinzessin Cecilie, which were stitution, a Mexican paper published learning of the conspiracy, invited seized at Falmouth at the outbreak of here. La Constitution published an in- ten of the plotters to dinner and had the war, were condemned in prize court as prizes.

Yuan Shih-kai May Resign Peking, March 25 .- Yuan Shih-kai's rejection of the title of emperor and the war total 2,542,639, according to his decision to maintain a republican were rescued and are aboard the Nor- Boris Schumacher, who arrived from form of government may be followed wegian bark Silas, which is approach- Petrograd on the liner United by his resignation, His successor may be chosen by the powers.

> Woman and Man Are Found Slain Chicage, March 24.-Mrs. Bessie Hejan and Joseph Dranec were found shot to death in the latter's room. The police believe that the woman had killed the man and then committed

> Russ Sink German Steamer. London, March 24 .- The inking by Russian warship of the steamship sea off the Roumanian coast, is reported in a Reuter dispatch. The crew was captured. Widow of Col. D. B. Henderson Hurt.

Railroad Earnings Soar. Dubuque, Ia., March 22,-Mrs. D. B. Washington, March 22.-The inter-Henderson, aged widow of Col. D. B. Henderson, formerly speaker of the final report for January, showing that house of representatives, is confined 187 steam railroads of the United Raiph W. Page, son of the ambassador this county, was gored to death His to the Mercy hospital with a fractured States earned during that month net right hip bone as a result of a fall.

Postpones Sale of Road. Detroit, Mich., March 22.-Judge Ar-Locke Craig saved from death in the thur J. Tuttle at a hearing in the Uniserious problem in the United States, electric chair Mrs. Ida Ball Warren, ted States court here on Monday au- fire in a day nursery at 47 East One Dr. E. A. Ross, professor at the Uni- who had been sectenced to die on thorized postponement of the sale of Hundred and Thirty-third street. Six versity of Wisconsin, has recommend- March 31 for the murder of her hus the Pere Marquette road from May 5 families were forced to flee from the to July 5.

FIRE SWEEPS TOWN OHIO COAL MINES

FIFTEEN IS HOCKING VALLEY

Cause of Much Distress to Many Fam-Ilies-Company to Be Put on Sub-

Columbus, O .- As the first step in mitted to the voters of the state for the reorganization of the Continental signatures. cause the high wind scattered fire and other property were turned over were satisfactory. brands from the original fire to a to the Continental Coal Company only dozen points, some of them a mile a few days ago by the Sunday Creek POMERENE INDORSES HENRY

one time it seemed as if the whole sec- fold obligations which have consti-

Will Stop Practice of Compelling Employes to Pay for Jobs.

aken. Mr. Croxton said

POSTPONEMENT OF CAMPAIGN

Youngstown, O .- The campaign to Americanize foreigners here, which office department requested Gilson's was to have started April 1, probably resignation because of his political acseo Arredondo, Mexican ambassador will not get under headway until a much later date. The cause of the postponement is said to be in the fact that several of the enthusiastic supporters of Americanization are among the officers of the steel companies in dicted here last week for being participants in an alleged price-fixing conspiracy. These men were depended upon for financial and moral support canize foreigners. These men have campaign since the grand jury action their companies, so the information

tirely in accord with the views of the FIRE AT AKRON RUBBER PLANT.

Sherman of Illinois introduced a resauthorizing the president to call for 50,000 volunteers for Mexican service. He declared the present force wholly inadequate to cope with the situation. The resolution was laid on the table after Democratic senators objected to

\$628,139 LOSS IN RIOT FIRES. dread and twenty-seven submarines

erty owners by fire during the East ty Agricultural Agent, with a demon-Youngstown riots, January 7, is esti- stration on the farm of Edward Steinmated at \$628,139.48 by Deputy State man, State road, four miles east of Fire Marshal Naum. Four hundred Cleves, and ninety-three thousand seven hun-Geneva, March 24.—A serious earth. dred and sixty-eight dollars of the loss was covered by fire insurance. None C. Neimeyer stopped a fox hunt which of the insurance, it is said, will be col- had drawn many here with their gary, according to a dispatch from lected because of the riot clauses in hounds from Bucyrus, Upper San-Fiume. At Grizane 110 houses vere destroyed and 120 damaged. The dam. the policies. The aid of the state leg- dusky and other surrounding towns. islature will be asked to recover the The deputy held that the fox hunting damages.

Copenhagen, March 23.-A number HIGHWAY BRANCH IS PLANNED.

sighted south of the Cattegat, says the Washington, March 23 .- The cruiser North Carolina was ordered from Pensacola, Fla., to the naval base at no special significance attached to the

state commerce commission issued its operating revenue of \$77,173,037. Four Babies Burn.

New York, March 22 .- Four bables were burned to death on Monday in a building

NAMES RECEIVER

FIGURE IN REORGANIZATION OF ANTHRACITE CO.

IDLE FOR ONE YEAR

stantial Financial Basis.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Coal Company, with headquarters in The proposed law would go into ef-Toledo, the company was thrown into fect August 1, 1917, and would be ada receivership. Nicholas D. Monsar- ministered by the State Superintendrat, who has been superintendent of ent of Public Instruction, State Audithe company, was named receiver by tor, and three citizens to be named by Federal District Judge John E. Sater the governor. No salaries would be and placed under \$25,000 bond. He paid. The law does not contemplate qualified and took charge at once. state printing of books, but would pro-The company is the owner of 15 mines vide for selection of books by the presin the Hocking district. These mines ent publishers if quality and prices Coal Company, Monsarrat took charge of them for the company. The details of the transaction by which the Sunday Creek Company released the properties was not made public and t is not disclosed in the bill in equity, which Judge Sater heard in cham- mer Representative George White to

The mines have been idle for nearly a year and the situation has been the been under consideration for several cause of much distress in the Hocka state-wide canvass for funds for the ting themselves to a particular candidistressed miners and their families. date until recently. Senator Pomthe Continental Coal Company took he would give the greatest weight to the properties over that operation Mr. White's indorsement and the rethe company on a proper financial ba- fire commissioner under both Gov. sis so that it will be free of the manituted large annual charges against it.

charitable organizations are looking ACTION TAKEN BY THE STATE

Toledo, O.-A vigorous state-wide campaign against factory foremen who have been forcing employes under Allen county, exploded. An employe them to pay for positions given them of the company left the magazine fifis about to be launched, Fred C. Crox- of the company left the magazine is about to be launched, Fred C. Crox- teen minutes before the explosion, Mr. ton, chief mediator for the state industrial commission, has announced here. Conviction of Frank Madryszowski, formerly a foreman at a local was fined \$100 and costs. The practhose under them to pay outright or on the installment plan for their jobs has become so prevalent throughout the POSTMASTER IS FORCED OUT. state that drastic measures will be

icanize Foreigners.

Loss Estimated at \$10,000-Workmen

Escape Uninjured. Akron, O.-Nearly \$10,000 damage esulted here from fire, which nearly destroyed the interior of a six-story drowned. building of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. Akron's entire fire department fought the blaze for almost three hours. The rubber burned furi- Morgan Engineering Company, Joously, producing dense smoke and seph Matzsaski, 30 years old, was fafumes, which prevented firemen from tally injured. entering. Workmen on every floor left the building when the alarm was sounded, and all escaped uninjured. Several on upper floors were almost ing," a resolution, signed by 35 stusuffocated from acid fumes before they dents of Steubenville high school has reached open air. The building was a been presented to the Board of Edupart of the reclaiming plant and did cation with the request that the dance not join main factory buildings.

Dagens Nyheter. The presence of the Greer and A. D. VanAusdal were in near here, have returned to work. British war craft off the Swedish coast Cincinnati in conference with Ohio Liberty and Richmond, Ind. Mr. Gor- or bring their milk up to a 75 per cent don promised to present the request quality will be waged throughout the Guantanamo. Officials said there was to the directors of the National Dixie week. Milkmen have been notified at week

> tium. It was also called New Rome, Mussulman mosque. and was the eastern capital of the Roman empire for 11 centuries. Greece was part of the Roman empire of the East, and later the empire was often

Constantinople.

form and provisions before being sub-

For Appointment as Postmaster at

Marietta, Ohio,

SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS FREE

Books Furnished to Children by State

Is Urged by Portsmouth Citizen.

Portsmouth, O .- Under the leader-

ship of C. B. Groninger and other resi-

dents of this city there is to be an in-

itiated law put under way to provide

free text books for all schools of all

grades in the state. The committee in

charge of the work is operating under

the direction and representative of the

Junior Order of United American Me-

chanics, one of the patriotic societies

that is active in the up-lift of education

of the state. The committee in charge

of the work is C. B. Gnoninger, O. E.

Emery, W. West, P. E. Wilson and W.

G. Summers. A draft of the proposed

law has been completed and was sent

to Columbus for legal approval as to

Marietta, O .- Senator Pomerene decided on the recommendation of forname C. Henry as postmaster at Marietta. The disposal of this place has months, but both Senator Pomerene ing Valley, resulting last summer in and Mr. White have avoided commit-The announcement was made when erens, however, let it be known that would be begun. The intimation was sponsibility for the nomination rests given that the first plan will be to put upon Mr. White. Henry was assistant Harmon and Gov. Cox.

> BLAST FELT FIFTY MILES AWAY. Report of Nitro Explosion at Lima

> Heard For a Hundred Miles. Lima, O .- With a report that was heard for a hundred miles and with a force which did damage fifty miles away a nitro-glycerin magazine of the American Glycerin Company, located on the Bailey farm, near Spencerville, Lemley, an employe, said.

Many windows were broken in Findlay. Telephone and telegraph wires automobile plant, was secured by the were put out of commission by the exstate in police court. Madryszowski plosion. An oil stove placed in the magazine by Lemley is believed to tice by factory foremen of compelling have overheated the storage room, causing the explosion.

quest of Department Head. Steubenville, O .- Richard Gilson, whose term as postmaster would have Indictments to Delay Plan to Amer- expired August 20, has sent the postoffice department his resignation, taking effect April 22. H. H. McFadden. an editor, will succeed him. The post-

tivity as a candidate for sheriff.

TO NAME PRESIDING OFFICERS. Sandusky, O .- That Charter Commissioners may designate presiding officers of municipal courts, and that in so doing they do not violate that section of the constitution giving the legislature the exclusive right to creof an extensive movement to Ameriate a court, is, in brief, a decision rendered here by Common Pleas Judge withdrawn from active support of the John T. Carter, Fremont, in a case in which the authority of the commisn order to give time to the defense of sion that framed Sandusky's new charter was attacked by former saloon keepers prosecuted for alleged

BUCKEYE BREVITIES

violations of the state liquor laws.

Gallipolis, O .- Former State Sena or Walter H. Cossin, 48, mayor of Pt. Pleasant, W. Va., fell from a motor boat into the Ohio river here and was

Alliance, O .- Crushed between cars

which were backed at the plant of the

Steubenville, O .- Condemning the annual graduation dance as "degrad-

be prohibited this year. Cincinnati, O .- A pruning and spraying campaign is being conduct-Youngstown, O .- The loss to prop- ed by D. R. VanAtta, Hamilton Coun-

> Marion, O .- Deputy Game Warden season is not open yet.

Alliance, O .- Eighteen hundred notters, who have been idle as a result of Hamilton, O .- B. D. Lecklider, C. R. the strike at five potteries at Sebring.

Dixie Highway Commissioner Harry L. Toledo, O .- Toledo's campaign for Gordon concerning the establishment purer milk has been started here. A of a branch of the Dixie highway from battle between the city health division Hamilton to Oxford, College Corner, and milkmen who refuse to pasteurize Highway association at a meeting to that their permits will be revoked if e held in Macon, Ga., during the pres- they fall to meet the pasteurisation

| capital of the Ottoman empire. The Constantinople was named after the great church of Saint Sophia was to emperor of Rome, Constantine the Constantinople and the Greek church Great, and founded in A. D. 328 on the | what St. Peter's was to Rome. It has site of the old Greek town of Byzan- been, since the Turkish conquest, a

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Telephone Valuable to Farmer. The rural telephone in case of sickness or emergency enables the farmcalled the Greek empire. The Greek er to summon immediate aid. It enchurch preserves its name to this day. ables him to learn the latest maries In 1453 Constantinople was taken by prices and so get more money

the Turks, and since then has been the his products.